

17/2966
THE WASHINGTON POST

pose Lotte

etc.) would not be a basis for further deferment upon graduation."

Bobby the Entomologist

Bobby Kennedy's denial that he authorized J. Edgar Hoover to engage in widespread eavesdropping is not likely to go down with some of the people who saw him during his trip to South Africa. When Bobby visited the South African student leader Ian Robertson, a critic of the South African government on Negro rights, Bobby asked Robertson whether he thought the place was bugged. Robertson replied that he was sure it was.

Whereupon the Senator from New York jumped into the air and came down with a resounding thud. His host was flabbergasted. Kennedy explained that a jar would throw any bugging device off balance for 10 or 15 minutes.

The South African student leader was curious as to how Kennedy happened to be an expert on such matters.

"I was once Attorney General," Bobby replied.